

it, except the name and address of the person to whom sent, nor any paper or thing enclosed in or with the same, or otherwise the same shall be charged with the like postage as if the same had been a letter sent by the post.

Eighth. And we further direct, that letters transmitted by any packet boat or vessel belonging to or employed by or under the Government of the colony of the Bahama Islands, in the West Indies, between any two ports in the said colony, shall be no longer chargeable with the sea postage rates to which the same are liable under certain Warrants under the hands of three of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, bearing date, respectively, the 1st day of September 1840, the 31st day of August 1841, and the 11th day of October 1843, or under any other Treasury Warrant, or under any Act of Parliament; and that all such last-mentioned letters shall be hereafter charged and chargeable for the conveyance between any two ports in the said colony with such rates of postage as the Colonial Government of the Bahamas hath ordered and directed, or shall at any time hereafter order and direct.

Ninth. And we further direct, that nothing herein contained shall be deemed or construed to annul, prejudice, or affect any of the exemptions and privileges granted by the said recited Act of the fourth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, or by an Act, made and passed in the first year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act for the management of the Post-office," and that all such exemptions and privileges shall remain in full force.

Tenth. And we further direct, that the several terms and expressions used in this Warrant shall be construed to have the like meaning, in all respects, as they would have had if inserted in the said Act of the fourth year of Her present Majesty.

And we further direct, that this Warrant shall come into operation on the First day of January one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

Provided lastly, and we hereby declare and direct, that it shall be lawful for the Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Treasury, or any three of them, by warrant under their hands, at any time hereafter to alter or repeal any of the rates hereby fixed or altered, or the regulations hereby made, and to make and establish any new or other rates or regulations in lieu thereof, and from time to time to appoint at what time the rates that may be payable are to be paid.

Whitehall, Treasury-Chambers, the 13th day of October 1848.

W. GIBSON-CRAIG.
H. RICH.
C. WOOD.

DOWNING-STREET, October 20, 1848.

The Queen has been pleased to make and ordain a Special Statute of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, for appointing Lieutenant Herbert Benjamin Edwardes, of the East India Company's Service, having the local rank of Major in the Lahore Territories, to be an Extra Member of the Military Division of the Third Class, or Companions of the said Order.

WINDSOR-CASTLE, October 18, 1848.

This day had audience of Her Majesty, the Marquess Ridolfi, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary on a special mission from the Grand Duke of Tuscany, to deliver his credentials:

To which he was introduced by Viscount Palmerston, G.C.B. Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
DUBLIN-CASTLE, October 20, 1848.

This day the Privy Council assembled, when the Right Honourable Maziere Brady, Lord High Chancellor of Ireland, His Grace Richard, Lord Archbishop of Dublin, and the Right Honourable Sir Edward Blakeney, K.C.B. Lieutenant-General Commanding the Forces in Ireland, were sworn Lords Justices of Ireland.

WAR-OFFICE, October 20, 1848.

5th Dragoon Guards—Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel W. Morley Balders, from 3d Light Dragoons, to be Major, vice Archer, appointed to 16th Light Dragoons.

3d Light Dragoons—Major Lawrence Fyler, from 16th Light Dragoons, to be Major, vice Balders, appointed to 5th Dragoon Guards.

16th—Major William Henry Archer, from 5th Dragoon Guards, to be Major, vice Fyler, appointed to 3d Light Dragoons.

2d Foot—Lieutenant Richard Hill Roche to be Adjutant, vice Smyth, promoted.

10th—Joseph Lee Stanwell Aldersey, gent. to be Ensign, by purchase, vice Somerset, appointed to Cape Mounted Riflemen.

15th—Captain Robert MacGregor, from half-pay Unattached, to be Paymaster, vice Walker, deceased.

21st—Major John Crofton Peddie to be Lieutenant-Colonel, by purchase, vice Deare, who retires. Captain Frederick George Ainslie to be Major, by purchase, vice Peddie. Lieutenant Arthur Lake Johnston to be Captain, by purchase, vice Ainslie. Second Lieutenant Edward Thomas Barnard to be First Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Johnston. William John Legh, gent. to be Second Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Barnard.

24th—Lieutenant John Saunders Shore, to be Captain, by purchase, vice Coulman, who retires. Ensign Thomas Maling Greensill to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Shore. Ensign William Phillips to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Frere, who retires. Ensign Frederick William Adam Parsons, from 55th Foot, to be Ensign, vice Greensill. Richard Henry Holland, gent. to be Ensign, by purchase, vice Phillips.

25th—Captain the Honourable Francis William Henry Fane, from 74th Foot, to be Captain, vice Lindsell, appointed to 28th Foot. Acting Assistant-Surgeon James Fraser, M.D. to be Assistant-Surgeon, vice Lightbody, appointed to the Staff.

28th—Captain Robert Henry Lindsell, from 25th Foot, to be Captain, vice MacDonald, appointed to 74th Foot. Lieutenant Sussex Lennox Aubrey Beauclerk Messiter, from 35th Foot, to be Lieutenant, vice George Duncan Robertson, who retires on half-pay 21st Foot.

29th—Ensign James William Bostock to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Scudamore, who retires. De Vic Valpy, gent. to be Ensign, by purchase, vice Bostock.

33d—Major Frederick Rodolph Blake to be Lieutenant-Colonel, by purchase, vice Whannell, who retires. Captain John Douglas Johnstone to be Major, by purchase, vice Blake. Lieutenant John E. Collins to be Captain, by purchase, vice Johnstone. Ensign Basil Fanshawe to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Collings. Ensign Frederick Smith Vacher to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Bennett, who retires. Gentleman Cadet George James Lennox, from Royal Military College, to be Ensign, by purchase, vice Fanshawe. William Henry Parry, gent. to be Ensign, by purchase, vice Vacher.

35th—Lieutenant William Henry Ballingall, from half-pay 21st Foot, to be Lieutenant, vice Messiter, appointed to 28th Foot.

36th—Lieutenant John Rotton to be Adjutant, vice Cubitt, promoted. Ensign Charles Hallowell Carew to be Lieutenant, without purchase, vice Rotton, appointed Adjutant. William Tyler Stuart, gent. to be Ensign, vice Carew.

45th—Lieutenant Robert J. Garden to be Captain, by purchase, vice Gordon, whose promotion, by purchase, has been cancelled.

53d—Captain William Telford, from half-pay 1st Dragoons, to be Paymaster, vice Richard Butler Low, who retires on half-pay as Captain.

54th—Lieutenant Alfred Wright, from half-pay 28th Foot, to be Lieutenant, vice Aylmer Strangford Craig, who exchanges.

55th—Edward D'Heillimer Fairtlough, gent. to be Ensign, by purchase, vice Parsons, appointed to the 24th Foot.

56th—Lieutenant Thomas Wallace Fraser to be Captain, without purchase, vice Brevet Major Higgins, deceased. Ensign William Clutterbuck to be Lieutenant, vice Fraser. George E. L. C. Bissett, gent. to be Ensign, vice Clutterbuck.

60th—Captain Charles Howe Spence to be Major, by purchase, vice Crombie, promoted. Lieutenant Henry Friend Kennedy to be Captain, by purchase, vice Spence.

Second Lieutenant Herman Ernest Galton to be First Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Kennedy. Henry James Robertson, gent. to be Second Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Galton.

72d—Lieutenant George Lowther Rathborne, from the 77th Foot, to be Lieutenant, vice Bertram, who exchanges.

74th—Captain William MacDonald, from the 28th Foot, to be Captain, vice Honourable F. W. H. Fane, appointed to the 25th Foot.

78th—Lieutenant William Bertram, from the 72d Foot, to be Lieutenant, vice Rathborne, who exchanges.

78th—Ensign Herbert Taylor Macpherson to be Lieutenant, without purchase, vice Reed, deceased. Ensign Henry Preston Elrington, from the 80th Foot, to be Ensign, without purchase, vice Macpherson.

80th—Ensign Matthew Kirkland to be Lieutenant, without purchase, vice Kingsley, who retires. Henry Preston Elrington, gent. to be Ensign, by purchase, vice Kirkland. John Alexander Shortt, gent. to be Ensign, without purchase, vice Elrington, appointed to the 78th Foot.

97th—Lieutenant James Dupre Brabazon to be Captain, without purchase, vice Brevet Major O'Neill, who retires upon full-pay. Ensign Henry George Woods to be Lieutenant, vice Brabazon. Ernest Randolph Mackesy, gent. to be Ensign, vice Woods.

Ceylon Rifle Regiment—Second Lieutenant James Owen Bovill to be First Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Bradley, who retires. Ralph Thicknesse Dickenson, gent. to be Second Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Bovill.

Cape Mounted Riflemen—Ensign John Sandham Warren, to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Phillpotts, who retires. Ensign Henry George Edward Somerset, from the 10th Foot, to be Ensign, vice Warren.

UNATTACHED.

Major Thomas Crombie, from the 60th Foot, to be Lieutenant-Colonel, by purchase, vice George Currie Page, who retires.

HOSPITAL STAFF.

Assistant-Surgeon Thomas Dehane Lightbody, M.D. from the 25th Foot, to be Assistant-Surgeon to the Forces, vice George Butler, who retires upon half-pay.

OFFICE OF ORDNANCE, October 16, 1848.

Royal Regiment of Artillery.

Second Lieutenant Charles Paulett Rotton to be First Lieutenant, vice Swinny, deceased. Second Captain Henry Austen Turner to be Captain, vice the Honourable R. F. Hancock, retired on half-pay. First Lieutenant Mortimer Adye to be Second Captain, vice Turner. Second Lieutenant John Morris Savage to be First Lieutenant, vice Adye. First Lieutenant Thomas Richard M'Queen to be Second Captain, vice Morshead, retired on half-pay. Second Lieutenant Dashwood Jones to be First Lieutenant, vice M'Queen.

ADMIRALTY, October 11, 1848.

Corps of Royal Marines.

Second Lieutenant James Shute to be First Lieutenant, vice P. F. E. Daniel to half-pay.

GENERAL AVERAGE PRICE OF BRITISH CORN, per QUARTER,

Received in the Week ended October 14, 1848.

Wheat.	Barley.	Oats.	Rye.	Beans.	Peas.
s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
51 11-273	32 0-291	20 8-102	30 4-230	35 2-923	39 2-473

AGGREGATE AVERAGE OF SIX WEEKS WHICH GOVERNS DUTY.

Wheat.	Barley.	Oats.	Rye.	Beans.	Peas.
s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
53 4	33 0	21 7	32 3	37 1	39 5

By Authority of Parliament,

GEORGE JOYCE,
Comptroller of Corn Returns.

Board of Trade, Corn Department.